

HIC Contractor

Home Improvement Contracting (Abbr: HIC) means that service which provides for repairs or improvements to one-family and two-family residential buildings or structures annexed to real property. The BLD classification also provides for this function. The HIC specialty does not provide for electrical, plumbing, HVAC, or gas fitting functions. It does not include high rise buildings, buildings with more than two dwelling units, or new construction functions beyond the existing building structure other than decks, patios driveways and utility out buildings.

Please visit the DPOR web site for additional information. <http://www.state.va.us/dpor/indexie.html>
You may also call the DPOR at 804 367-8500

FAQ:

- Q.** I have gotten many building permits in Fairfax Co. to do additions on houses. Why does the City of Fairfax refuse to issue permits for this same work?
 - A.** The City of Fairfax enforces the DPOR regulations. If other jurisdictions do not enforce these regulations, you will have to ask them to explain their policies.

- Q.** But I'm a class "A" contractor. Why can't I get a permit?
 - A.** The specialty classification on the contractor's license allows him to apply for various classifications of permits. The class A,B or C designation refers to the dollar amount of contracts that the contractor may oversee.

- Q.** What can I do to get the permit?
 - A.** Contact the DPOR to change the classification of your contractor's license.